[Mr. Joseph Panjikaran.]

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) No separate records are maintained.

(*b*) The number of cargo boats owned by

(1) merchants—12

(2) non-merchants—19

(*c*) The number of protests noted by *tindals* of boats owned by—

(1) merchants—*nil* in 1097 and 14 in 1098.

(2) non-merchants— 22 in 1097 and 49 in 1098. No information is available as to the amount of loss involved.

(*d*) Five in 1097 and 10 in 1098.

(*e*) 16.

(*f*) Boats are allowed to ply at night in the Cochin Port. No restriction is placed on shipping during day-time unless bad weather sets in.

Roman Catholic Graduates in the Land Revenue Commissioner's Office.

318. MR. JOSEPH PANJIKARAN (*Shertallai*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the number of Roman Catholic graduates, if any, entertained in the Land Revenue Commissioner's office after the separation of Devaswoms from the Land Revenue Department; and

(*b*) if any such Roman Catholics have been entertained, the period of their service?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Two, *viz.*, Messrs. T. J. Zachariah and S. Francis.

(*b*) The service of Mr. Zachariah in the Land Revenue Commissioner's office was 3 months and 19 days from the 14th Minam, 1098. He had a break of ten days during that period.

The first appointment of Mr. Francis was sanctioned by Government on the 8th May, 1924.

Appointment of a Brahmin Graduate in the Land Revenue Commissioner's Office.

319. MR. JOSEPH PANJIKARAN (*Shertallai*): (*a*) Is it a fact that a Brahmin graduate was appointed to a vacancy in the Land Revenue Commissioner's office in Makaram, 1099?

(*b*) What is the name of that graduate?

(*c*) Was he ever in the Travancore Government service?

(*d*) Is he a Travancorean?

(*e*) When did he graduate?

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(*f*) Why was not the Catholic graduate who had been acting for about six months appointed in that vacancy?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) (*a*) The answer is in the negative.

(*b*) to (*f*). These questions do not arise in view of the answer to part (*a*).

Medals in the Ayurveda College.

320. MR. JOSEPH PANJIKARAN (*Shertallai*): (*a*) Have the officials of H. H. The Maha Raja's Palace handed over to the Government a sum of money for awarding medals to the candidates who annually head the lists of successful candidates in the Ayurveda examination?

(*b*) When was this trust instituted?

(*c*) Will the Government be pleased to give the names of the medal-winners with the year and the date on which these medals were presented?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) In 1094 M. E.

(*c*) The medals were presented to the winners on the 12th Kumbham, 1099. The names of the winners are given below with the years:

1. K. Madhava Kurup (1094).
2. T. K. Raman Pillai (1095).
3. K. N. Kesava Pillai (1096).
4. K. Kunjuraman (1097).
5. K. Paramesvaran Pillai (1098).

MR. JOSEPH PANJIKARAN (*Shertallai*): With respect to the answer to part (*c*) of my question, may I know why the medals were not given to the winners in due course every year?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Information as to the cause of the delay has been called for from the Director of Ayurveda.

Complaints against Mr. Sadasivan Pillai, Fishery Inspector.

321. MR. JOSEPH PANJIKARAN (*Shertallai*): (*a*) Have the Government received any complaint against Mr. Sadasivan Pillai, the Fishery Inspector of Vaikam?

(*b*) How many complaints were received against him?

(*c*) What were the dates of the first and the last complaints against this officer?

(*d*) What enquiries have the Government made concerning the allegations contained in those complaints and with what result?

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